

(SHRI UTTAMBHAI H. PATEL): (a) The Government is not aware of any specific siphoning of case of funds for various Poverty Alleviation Programmes. However, there are certain programmes in the Ministry like Jawahar Rozgar Yojana where the programme is implemented by the District Rural Development Agencies/Zilla Parishads at the district level and by Village Panchayat at the village level. Since there are large number of agencies involved in the implementation of the programmes, there may be a few cases of siphoning of the funds.

(b) In case of complaints in the matter referred to above, the Ministry invariably refer them to the State Governments for proper enquiry and suitable action. Guidelines are also constantly reviewed to simplify procedures to reduce possibilities of siphoning of funds for poverty alleviation.

Loss to DDA and Allottees

3650. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that DDA and allottees have incurred heavy losses in Kondli Complex as reported in the "Jansatta" dated January 21, 1992;

(b) if so, details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have taken any action in this connection ; and

(d) if not, the reasons thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The DDA has reported that there has been delay in the execution of Self Financing Scheme houses at Kondli Gharoli. However as per the provision under Self Financing Scheme if the allottees do not get the flat within a

period of 2-1/2 years, interest at the rate of 7% per annum for the first six months and thereafter @ 10% per annum on the deposits is paid for the period beyond 2-1/2 years till the date of issue of final demand letters in case construction of houses is not completed by them.

The execution of the project was delayed on account of the time taken in sorting out design problems. Now these problems have been sorted out and maximum of efforts are being made to speed up the work and to make up for the delay to the maximum extent possible.

The project is likely to be completed by December, 1993.

[English]

Prices of Edible Oils

3651. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDAY:
DR. AMRIT LAL KALIDAS
PATEL:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether in spite of a record production of rapeseed and mustard, Government is importing edible oils due to a rising trend in the prices;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) details of the drive by the Government against hoarders and speculators and other factors responsible for price rise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Despite steady progress achieved in oilseed production as a whole and also expected record production of rapeseed and mustard, there exists a gap between demand for and supply of edible oils. With a view to bridge this gap partly, Govt. has decided to import edible oils after taking into consideration the related factors.

(c) Central Govt. has directed the State Govts/UTs to have strict surveillance on the availability and price of edible oils and to undertake dehording operations. The stock limits of oilseeds and oils by dealers/processors and manufacturers of edible oils continues to be on lower scales. The Storage Central Order is being strictly enforced and strict actions are being taken against hoarders and blackmarketeers in edible oilseeds and oils.

Decision on the Awards Given by Board of Arbitration (JCM)

3552. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYA SADUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any decision on the awards given by the Board of Arbitration set up under the scheme for Joint Consultative Machinery and compulsory arbitration for Central Government Employees (JCM) on encashment of half pay leave on superannuation and encashment of half pay leave while in service;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI MATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) to (c) The Awards given by the Board of Arbitration for encashment of half pay leave on superan-

uation and earned leave (not half pay leave) while in service are being processed in accordance with the prescribed procedure. Final decision in the matter is yet to be taken.

[*Translation*]

Setting up of Petro-Chemical Projects

3653. SHRI SHEELA GAUTAM:
SHRI TEJ NARAYAN SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) The names of the States which had proposed the Union Government to set up petro-chemical projects in their States during the period of the Seventh Plan; and

(b) The names of the States which had offered 40% equity share and direct partnership to the Union Government for the setting up of petro-chemical projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Most of the States came up with proposals for setting up of one petrochemical project or the other in their respective territories during the Seventh Plan period. No proposal for Central Government's 40% equity participation in any of such projects, however, materialised.

[*English*]

Mixing of Oils

3654. SHRI HARIN PATHAK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have permitted to mix different oils in the edible oil,

(b) whether the quality of the oil to be